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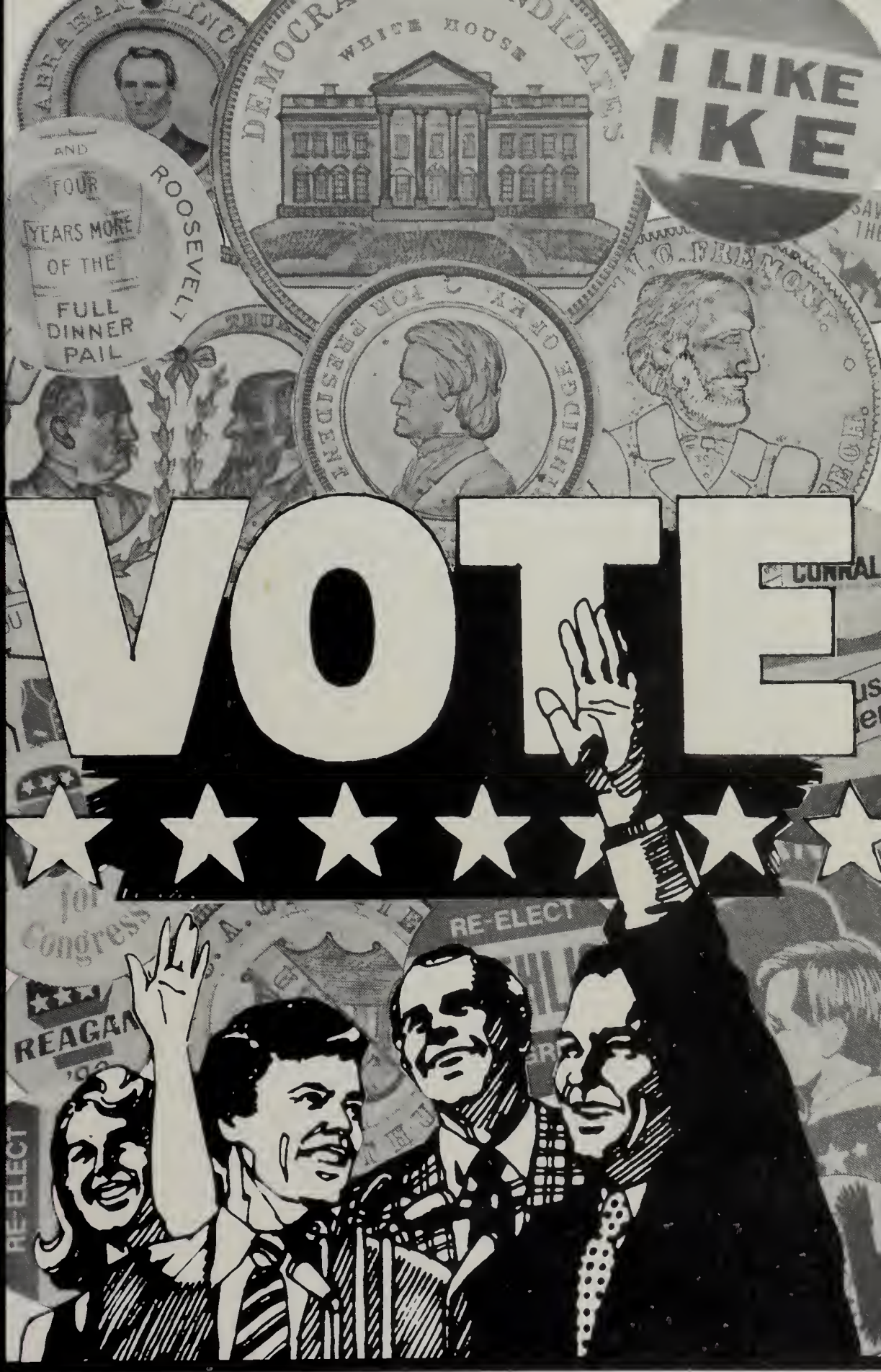

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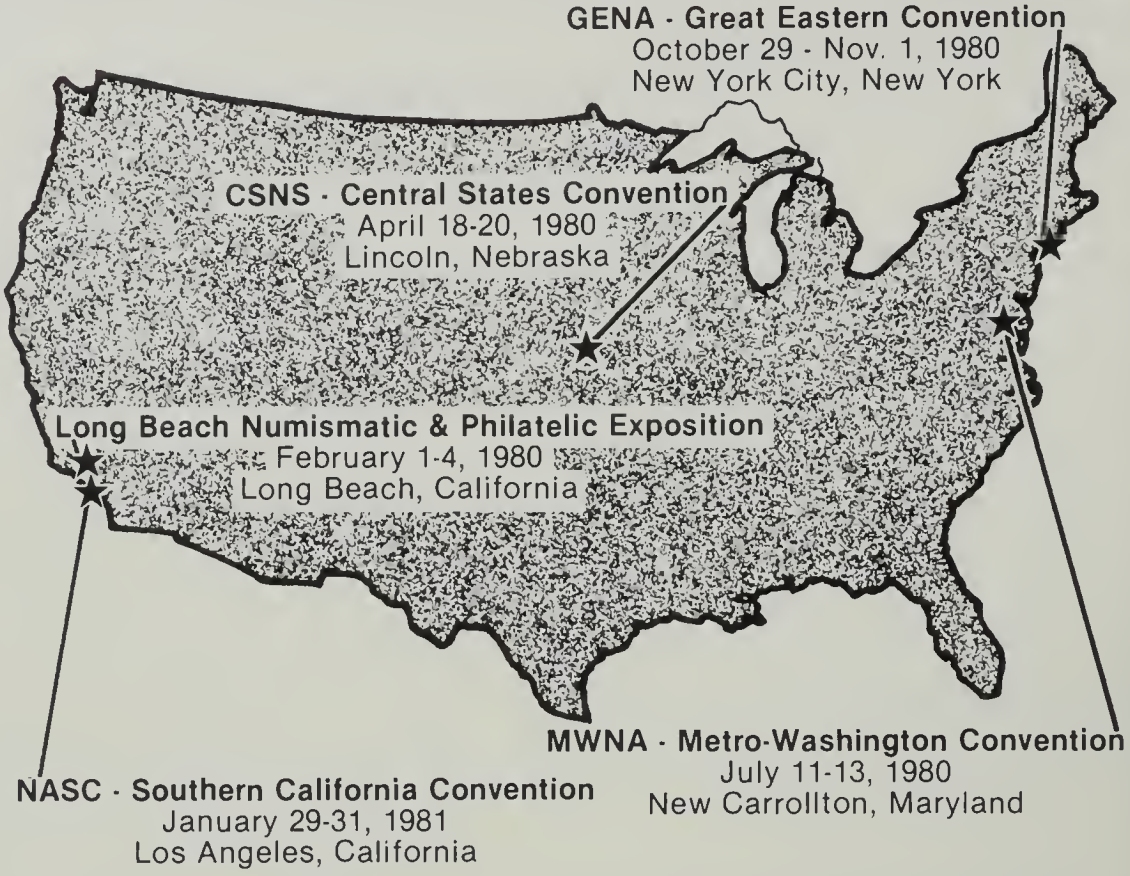

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After being out of stock for some months, the American Numismatic Association again offers a silver medal to coin clubs for use in honoring and giving recognition to their retiring presidents. Only 200 of the two-inch medals in fine silver were struck and, with the rising price of silver, they may never be reordered.

The obverse of this fine medal features a seated lady in classical dress, holding the ANA seal in her right hand and an olive branch in the left. There is a half circle of stars near the upper rim and the words "Past President" are on the plinth, leaving a 10 mm exergue in which to engrave the club's name.

The reverse is plain except for a stylized olive branch on a raised vertical bar near the right rim. Thus, there is ample space for the club to have the recipient's name and dates of service engraved.

The silver medal is available, without engraving, at $57.50 postpaid. This price is subject to change, depending upon the silver bullion market. The same piece may be had in bronze for $6.00. Orders with remittance should be sent to the American Numismatic Association, P. O. Box 2366, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80901.

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UNCUT SHEETS OF EIGHTEEN

A WORD ABOUT THE GREAT SCARCITY OF SHEETS OF EIGHTEEN

Shortly after the Hon. George W. Humphrey assumed the Office as Secretary, thereby succeeding Hon. John W. Snyder upon his retirement, he issued an Order to stop supplying Collectors with Uncut Sheets, thereby bringing to an end the Great Service that had been rendered to Collectors, Students of History, and many others for a good many years. We are indeed fortunate to Offer one Complete Collection of these Rare Sheets which were issued in the first several months of Mr. Humphrey's Secretary-Ship:

1935-E $1 Silver Certificate GEM Crisp New Sheet. Priest/Humphrey. Very few sheets were issued; most were subject to Mr. Humphrey's Stop-Order. This rarity priced at $1,795.00

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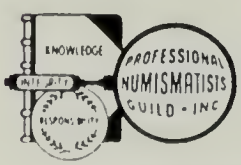

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PRESIDENTIAL COMMENTARY

We are now looking forward to the 41st Anniversary Convention of the Central States Numismatic Society at the Pershing Auditorium in Lincoln, on April 18, 19 and 20, hosted by the Nebraska Numismatic Association and under the capable leadership of Larry Rowe, General Chairman, and his various committees who have been working many long hours to bring about an outstanding show.

The Professional Numismatic Guild cordially invites you to attend their bourse on Thursday, April 17 (PNG Day), which will precede the CSNS Convention.

The Kagins of Des Moines, Iowa, will conduct the auction and assure us they will have material of interest to the beginner as well as to the advanced numismatist.

I urge you to attend all the educational programs possible, which will add to your numismatic knowledge.

This will be my last message to you as your president. My terms ends with this convention. A president would be lost without the backing of his officers and directors. It has been a pleasure to work with all of you and I commend you on a job well done. My special thanks to Marjorie Owen for all the extra help she has given me.

At the annual membership meeting on Saturday, April 19, election results will be announced. My heartiest and sincerest congratulations to the new officers and directors who will commence their duties. May your term be a fulfillment of your goals.

I am very proud of the Central States Numismatic Society and its members. Thank you all for your support and cooperation during my tenure. Thank you, also, for the honor and privilege of serving as your president.

I am looking forward to seeing old members, new members, and friends in Lincoln.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY

On to Lincoln!! I hope all of you have made your plans to attend. We have not been in that area in Convention for quite some time. This is a good time to renew acquaintences with the Cornhuskers. These good people have assured us that we will have a great convention. If hard work is any criteria, we won't be disappointed!

It seems that I'm always on the same subject — Money and The Centinel. I just want to remind you to check your membership card. If it has 1980 on the right hand side after your city name, your dues will be payable at the convention. There will be a table set up and manned for this purpose. This way, you will save both yourself and the CSNS time and money.

As to The Centinel, it is now being mailed from Michigan through the courtesy of your Editor and his family. Thank you, Dan and Wanda! However, members must keep ME supplied with your current address, or Dan will be obliged to reach into his pocket every time he visits the post office. Returned Centinels cost from 25c to 65c each and since it only costs about 7c to mail it with our permit — this return postage is ridiculous. The only way to avoid this irritating problem is to keep your address current with me.

We will have a new type incentive for enlisting new members. Be sure to stop by the Secretary's table for a sample!

If you have not returned your ballot to me, be sure to do so before the convention. Your new Officers and Board will be announced and installed during the Saturday night banquet.

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3339	Emil H. Mares	Rremont, Nebraska
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3343	James Foster	Long Beach, California
3344	Joe Rosenthal	St. Louis, Missouri
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As a loyal and contributing member of the Central States Numismatic Society, now is the time to perform your duty to our Society! The organization can only be as good as the Officers and Board Members who guide its destinies can make it. It behooves us all to be very careful in our selection of those who will lead us for the next two years. Choose carefully, vote carefully! Do not invalidate your ballot!

The candidates for office are here listed along with their biographies. Nearly all are known to me personally and most have made significant contributions to our beloved Central States.

FOR PRESIDENT

RALPH HARDMAN, JR. of Kansas

Eight years on the Board of Governors, with four additional years as Second and First Vice-President. Life member of A.N.A., C.S.N.S. and H.A. N.A. Active in all Kansas City organizations. Has for the past 18 years been either Bourse or Exhibits Chairman for HANA shows. Served as HANA President, 1961 CSNS Exhibits Chairman, 1975 Bourse Chairman for CSNS. Awarded the Medal of Merit of CSNS in 1975.

FOR FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

KURT R. KRUEGER of Wisconsin

Current 2nd Vice-President of CSNS and Chairman of the Young Numismatist Scholarship Program. Current ANA Governor, Past President of The Numismatists of Wisconsin, the Milwaukee Numismatic Society, and several local clubs. Frequent numismatic writer and two time recipient of the Elston G. Bradfield Literary Award. Mr. Krueger is a professional numismatic dealer.

FOR SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT

JOHN H. CAIN of Missouri

Current Board Member CSNS. Life member CSNS and HANA. Past Secretary (five years) of HANA. Co - Chairman for the 1959 and 1975 CSNS Conventions held in Kansas City as well as for numerous locally sponsored shows. ANA member and Club Representative. Appointed to the Assay Commission by President L. B. Johnson in 1968. Mr. Cain is in the restaurant business.

FOR SECRETARY-TREASURER

MARJORIE M. OWEN of Iowa

Life member CSNS and Iowa Numismatic Associations. Member of many Central Iowa clubs; having just completed a term as President of the Des Moines Coin Club. Involved in the hobby for more than 20 years and has served in various chair positions for conventions of INA. A long time exhibitor; has won all major honors in Iowa. Won 1st place, Best-In-Show, and Best In Paper Money at the CSNS convention in Kansas City in 1975. Awarded CSNS Medal-Of-Merit in 1977. Currently serving CSNS as Secretary-Treasurer.

FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS

EUGENE MORRIS of Iowa

Life member and past President of the Iowa Numismatic Association. Life Member of MOON as well as charter member of that organization, as well as S.P.M.C. Member of ANA, CSNS, and NOW. Won the individual "National Coin Week" Award in 1954. An active exhibitor and judge for the past 20 years. Awarded 1st place in Currency in 1954 at the CSNS Convention in Kansas City. Member No. 1 in Forest City (Iowa) Coin Club, past President of that organization, and has

for 21 years been either General Chairman or Exhibits Chairman for that annual show. Member A.L.P.C.A. and C.C.R.T.

LEON HENDRICKSON of Indiana

Life Member of CSNS and Indiana State Numismatic Associations. Member Penn-Ohio and A.N.A. President Winchester Coin Club and member of many area coin clubs. Has been active in numismatics for more than 30 years and a dealer for quite some time.

ROBERT E. DOUGLAS of Iowa

Member CSNS, ANA, and INA. Past President of the Cedar Rapids Coin Club and officer of the Cedar Rapids Stamp Club. Past advertising manager of the Iowa Collector, the Iowa Official Numismatic Association publication. Appointed Chairman for the 1982 CSNS Convention. Active for the past 12 years as a speaker, exhibitor, and has chaired many local shows and two Iowa State Conventions. A week-end coin dealer (by love) for the past three years. A technical writer for Collins Rockwell in Cedar Rapids for the past 19 years.

DON SQUIRE of Michigan

Life Member CSNS and ANA. Founder and charter member of the Dearborn Coin Club. Member of the Board of CSNS for the past eight years. Security Chairman for the 1979 Convention of CSNS.

VICKIE KLAUSCH of Wisconsin

Member of the ANA, CSNS, NOW, ILLNA, two local clubs and the Milwaukee Numismatic Society. An active exhibitor, she has received the Reagan Memorial Award twice the past year; in Wisconsin and Illinois. She feels exhibiting is an important part of the hobby which is needed to promote the hobby to the non-collector. Has been Exhibits and Bourse Chairperson, as well as Editor, for local organizations. Was a NOW scholarship winner and attended the ANACS seminar in the summer of 1979.

MICHAEL A. TRAMTE of Wisconsin

Life member ANA, American Numismatic Society, SPMC, Early American Coppers, Inc., NOW, Milwaukee Numismatic Society, as well as local clubs. Past President and Librarian for MNS. Bourse Chairman 1977 CSNS Convention and Exhibits Chairman of 1972 CSNS Convention. General Chairman of several MNS shows.

ORLANE D. KITTLE of Minnesota

Incumbent Board Member CSNS. Member ANA, CSNS, MOON, NOW, and INA, as well as various local clubs. Serving second term as President of MOON, Past President Winona Coin Club, and presently Editor of MOON VIEWS, the Minnesota quarterly.

JACK D. HUGGINS, SR. of Illinois

A practicing CPA since 1948 and collector for the past 40 years. Member ANA, Life Member ILLNA. President of ILLNA 1973-75. Has traveled to many parts of the United States with winning displays. Currently Educational Chairman of ILLNA. Chairman of the Board of ILLNA. One of only five Regional Representatives of ANA. An exhibits judge for both ANA and CSNS. Has authored numerous articles for The Centinel, Coin Digest, and the Missouri Numismatic Society Quarterly. Presently completing second term as CSNS Board Member.

ROBERT F. LEMKE of Wisconsin

Current Board Member of CSNS as well as NOW. Collector for 20 years. Active in numismatics since he joined the staff of Krause Publications. Assistant to the Editor for all KP products, as well as Editor of "The Bank Note Reporter". Lemke travels the CSNS area extensively attending coin shows. Frequent speaker, exhibitor, and exhibits judge for local, state, and regional meetings and shows. Has contributed articles and editorial services for many organizations to which he belongs. Besides CSNS, he is an active member in NOW, ANA, Token and Medal Society, SPMC, International

Bank Note Society. Member of NLG, NEWS, and the Wisconsin Numismatic Writers Assn. Has the ANA Educational Award, the NOW Distinguished Service Award, and has completed the ANA summer seminar Counterfeit Detection course.

PETER W. PHILLIPS of Wisconsin

Life Member ANA, CNA, and a 12-year member of SCNS, NOW, and the Madison Coin Club. Past President (four terms) of the Madison Club, six terms as Board Member. A collector since childhood and a frequent exhibitor. Has served repeatedly as exhibits chairman. Has used vacation time every year to speak to juniors who are starting new clubs at schools and various civic organizations. Holder of the Allen V. B. Clark Award for advancement of numismatics among junior collectors. Specializes in type coins of the U. S., Mexico, and Canada.

RICHARD E. PETERSON of Illinois

Life member of CSNS and ILLNA. Past Governor of CSNS. Past President of Cal-Harbor Coin Club. Past 1st Vice-President Chicago Coin Club. ANA Member for 20 years. Member Royal Numismatic Society. Has completed two courses in Numismatics at Roosevelt University.

RAY D. LEFMAN of Missouri

Life Member of CSNS, ANA, and life member No. 1 of Heart of America Numismatic Association. Has served CSNS continuously for the past 20 years as President or member of the Board of Governors. Awarded the Medal of Merit in 1963. Appointed to the 1964 U. S. Assay Commission. Chairman of numerous numismatic conventions. He most recently headed the eminently successful 1975 CSNS Convention in Kansas City. Senior member of the CSNS Board of Governors and Chairman of the Medal of Merit Committee. Teaches in the Kansas City school system.

DONALD MARK of Iowa

Member of ANA, CSNS, INA, NOW and SPMC, as well as taking active interest in several area numismatic organizations. Member of the Board of Governors of CSNS since 1976. Has been involved in the hobby since age 14. Has authored several articles on IOWA National Currency. Has chaired several of his state's conventions and is presently 1st Vice-President of INA. His collecting specialty covers much of the numismatic spectrum with emphasis on Iowa bank notes and related items dealing with Iowa's involvement in banking.

MICHAEL KOLMAN of Ohio

Life Member CSNS and ANA. Currently serving on the Board of CSNS. On the Board of Penn-Ohio and holds membership in 16 local and area clubs. Now 1st Vice-President of the Penn-Ohio Club. Collector since 1953, active dealer since 1961. Member of TAMS, he collects Civil War Tokens and enclosed coins.

HELEN SEDO of Michigan

Member ANA, CSNS, MSNS, ISNA, Penn-Ohio, and the Dearborn Coin Club. Served as Secretary of that club for three years and is presently in her 3rd year as the first woman President of the Dearborn Coin Club. Was General Chairperson for the 1979 CSNS Convention and the MSNS Fall Conventions in 1976 and 1977 in Dearborn. A competitive exhibitor at local and regional shows. Also has displayed in Dearborn libraries and was instrumental in securing proclamations for National Coin Week. Collecting specialty is Louis Philippe five francs. Attends shows with her part-time dealer husband. Has a view of numismatics from the collector's, exhibitor's, dealer's, and coin club standpoints.

CHRIS R. WILKIN, JR. of Nebraska

Member of CSNS, Numismatics International, International Bank Note Society, and the Society for Oriental Numismatics and Oriental Numismatic Society. Has held offices in the Nebraska Numismatic Association, including Presidency. Has served Lincoln Coin Club as President, Vice-

President, and Treasurer for six years. Contributor to the Standard Catalog of World Coins. Dealer in world coins and bank notes for the past six years.

TIMOTHY MARCY of North Dakota

Life Member ANA and CSNS. Member CNA, South Dakota Coin and Stamp Association, Numismatic Association of North Dakota (for which he is Secretary - Treasurer), and Central Dakota Coin Club (Past President and currently on the Board of Governors). Regional Representative for the ANA and Young Numismatists representative for North Dakota. A long time exhibtor and a lecturer on radio and local clubs and organizations. Has authored various articles, and is presently working on a book on North Dakota Numismatics. Now completing his fourth term as a Board Member of CSNS.

LAWRENCE E. ROWE of Nebraska

Member Lincoln Coin Club, Wahoo Coin Club, Fremont Coin Club, Nebraska Numismatic Assn., and CSNS. Has held office in these clubs, including presidency. Has been appointed General Chairman of the 1980 CSNS Convention in Lincoln.

LEONARD M. OWEN of Nebraska

Member ANA, CSNS, SPMC, and the Omaha Coin Club. As a member of the Byron Reed Historical Society, Inc., he serves on the cataloging committee. Author of various articles on Nebraska obsolete currency, Territorial Warrants, Trans-Mississippi Exposition, and Nebraska Territorial History, and more recently authored the section of the Nebraska Obsolete and National Currency published this past year. Owen received the Elston Bradfield Award in 1978. A former coin shop owner, he has been involved with the collecting of coins and currency for more than 35 years. Has served as Bourse Chairman for the Omaha Coin Club show for many years.

ROLAND W. FINNER of Wisconsin

Member ANA and CSNS. Charter member and past Secretary of MOON and Winona (Minn.) Coin Club. Past President and Secretary of the College City Coin Club, Northfield, Minn. A member of the Canadian Numismatic Association and NOW. Governor of CSNS from Minnesota 1966-68. Editor of The Centinel 1972-1978. Winner of the Elston Bradfield Award in 1972. Frequent Numismatic Exhibitor and winner of five Best-In-Show awards in state and local competitions. Finner is a 25-year member of the Wisconsin National Guard and in 1977 was awarded the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service, the highest military honor available to Guardsmen and reservists.

DON R. HUDSON of Indiana

Past President of Capitol City Coin Club. Has served three times as president of the Indianapolis Coin Club and is currently on its Board. Past 1st Vice President of the Indiana Numismatic Assn. and is serving as Editor of the Indiana State News. ANA District and Club Representative. A specialist in U. S. coins with a special interest in silver dollars. Hudson is a student of counterfeit coins and a frequent speaker on this phase of the hobby. Has chaired several state shows and has been named General Chairman for the 1981 CSNS Convention in Indianapolis.Currently on the CSNS Board.

DAVID L. COOPER of Missouri

Long time dealer in St. Louis. Member ANA, CSNS, and MNS. Past President of CSNS (1972-74). General Chairman of ANA Convention in St. Louis and has chaired CSNS Convention.

RICHARD HARTZOG of Illinois

Life Member ANA, TAMS, CWTS, ILLNA, and NOW, and a member of other numismatic and exonumia organizations. Currently serving as President of the Chicago Coin Club and on the Board of TAMS and the Civil War Token Society.

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FRITZ VOELKS of Wisconsin

Full time numismatist for the past 15 years. Life member of ANA and NOW. Currently in second term on the Board of NOW. Founded and funded NOW, ANA seminar scholarship, for the first several years.

HAROLD H. BERK of Ohio

Life member ANA, CSNS, GENA, and Penn-Ohio Coin Club. Was named honorary life member of the Warren, Ohio, Coin Club which he helped to organize. He is also a charter member of the Michigan State Numismatic Society and an organization of International Numismatists. Berk is a Past President of CSNS and currently serving on its Board. Was a two-term member of the Board of ANA. Has been a collector for more than 40 years and a professional dealer since 1954. He was the first dealer elected to the Board of ANA and is familiar with the problems of both the dealer and collector.

BEN E. MARLENEE of Iowa

A full-time dealer for 20 years, in the same location in downtown Des Moines for the past 16 years. Member ANA and CSNS. Upon graduation from the University of Iowa with a degree in economics, he formed, with two partners, the firm of A & A Coins. An active public speaker and promoter of the hobby in the Central States area.

We prefaced the biographies of the above candidates with a plea that every member vote. The Constitution and By-Laws of CSNS clearly state that only two members of the Board may be elected from any one state. Please do not invalidate ballots by 'plunking' for home state candidates.

Most of the candidates are personally known to me. In many years of association within the hobby, I have found that they all have integrity and dedication to our hobby. Select those of your choice and do not neglect to VOTE!!!

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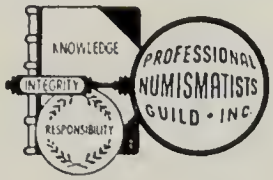

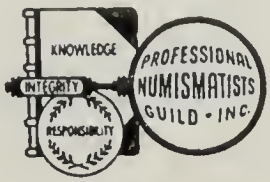

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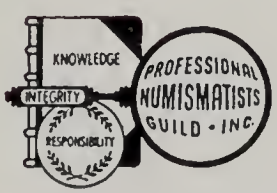

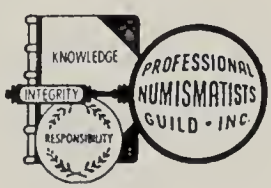

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TERRITORIAL BANKING IN NEBRASKA

By Leonard M. Owen

Articles have been written about Nebraska Obsolete Currency as well as Obsolete Currency from other states. Very little, however, has been written about the history of the towns from which this currency was distributed. This is the first of a series of articles on Nebraska Obsolete Currency to acquaint the reader with this information.

Most of the early towns in Nebraska were located along the Missouri River, as this was the main source of travel into the area. Many of these towns had their own bank, which issued currency as a medium of exchange, as gold and silver was scarce. A few of these banks ran their business on a sound basis and these banks later became some of the first of the National Banks. Some of the others were in the business to make a fast buck and move on to some other endeavor, leaving the note holders with very little of value.

The following banks received charters from the Territorial Legislature and are known to have issued notes for their banks: Western Exchange Fire and Marine Insurance Co., Omaha City, March 16, 1855; The Bank of Florence, Florence, January 18, 1856; The Bank of Nebraska, Omaha City, January 18, 1856; The Nemaha Valley Bank, Brownville, January 18, 1856; The Platte Valley Bank, Nebraska City, January 18, 1856; The Fontenelle Bank of Bellevue, Bellevue, January 18, 1856; The Bank of DeSoto, DeSoto, February 12, 1857; and The Bank of Tekama, Tekamah, February 12, 1857.

Note the spelling of the word Tekamah (Tekama). The town of Tekamah spelled its name with an "H" on the end but the spelling of Tekama on the notes was without the "H".

The following banks also issued notes without the benefit of a Territorial charter: The Waubeek Bank, DeSoto; The Omaha and Chicago Bank, Omaha City; The Bank of Dakota, Dakota City; The Corn Exchange Bank, DeSoto; The Omaha City Bank and Land Co., Omaha City; The Brownville Bank and Land Co., (Supposed to have been in Omaha City, but actually never had offices there.); The Nebraska Land and Banking Co., Omaha City; The Western Land and Exchange Co., DeSoto; and The Western Exchange and Land Co., Omaha City.

Only two of these banks are recorded in early history books as being of sound character. The Bank of Dakota, located at Dakota City, which operated without a Territorial Charter, and the Platte Valley Bank of Nebraska City, which had a Territorial Charter.

The first article of this series will feature The Bank of Dakota City and the town of Dakota City. This was the northern most town in Nebraska that issued bank notes. The next article will be about Tekamah and we will work on south for the future articles.

The Bank of Dakota City was owned by Augusta Kountze. The notes from this bank are very scarce as Mr. Kountze only allowed $3,000 of his issue to be in circuation at any one time and these notes were redeemed on presentation. After closing his bank in Dakota City, Mr. Kountze moved to Omaha City and opened a bank with his brothers, Herman, Luther, Charles and William. This bank was merged with the First National Bank of Omaha in July 1865.

Augustus Kountze served in the following capacities at various times: The owner of a bank, Director of The First National Bank, Territorial Treasurer, State Treasurer, an incorporator of the Union Pacific Railroad, Director of the Union Pacific Railroad, incorpo-

This illustration is a sheet of Bank of Dakota notes, sheet No. 1250. This sheet is possibly unique because it is the only known uncut sheet to still exist.

rator of the Omaha and Northwestern Railroad, Director of the Omaha and Northwestern Railroad, member of the Dakota Company, partner in the building of the Grand Central Hotel, incorporator of the Omaha Horse Railway Co., and many other posts.

William F. Lockwood was the President of the Bank of Dakota City and James W. Virtue was the Cashier. Most of the signed notes from this bank were signed by these two men. Mr. Lockwood was a Territorial Judge and Mr. Virtue was appointed as the first Postmaster of Dakota City.

Dakota County was created by the first Territorial Legislature on March 7, 1855. Dakota City was made the County Seat of Dakota County by an act of the Territorial Legislature on January 23, 1856. Some of the people desired a more central location for the County Seat. St. Johns was to be the new location. A vote was taken on August 2, 1858. The County Seat remained in Dakota City.

A preliminary survey of Dakota City was made in 1855. In September of 1856 it was surveyed under the direction of the Dakota City Company, of which Augusue Kountze was President. The first building erected in Dakota City was built by B. F. Chambers in May of 1856. It was a log cabin with a flat roof of dirt and a dirt floor. This building was later improved and enlarged by Dr. J. D. M. Crockwell and was occupied as a hotel under the name of the "Chihuahua House". Dakota City had hopes of becoming a metropolis in the early days, and through the influence of Dr. Crockwell, the United States Land Office was established here in 1857. A large three-story hotel with a two-story wing was built in Dakota City at a cost of $16,000 in gold. The United States Court was held here twice a year, in the spring and fall. Abraham Lincoln, in 1861, appointed William F. Lockwood as Judge of the Third Judicial District of the Territory.

With the admission of Nebraska as a State, however, the prospects for Dakota City changed. The United States Court no longer held semi-annual meetings here. The business of the Land Office diminished, and in September of 1875 it was moved to Niobrara. With the decline of this business, the Grand Central Hotel was no longer needed. In 1879, it was torn down and sold as old lumber. A two-story brick school house was built in 1866 at a cost of $4,500.

The Centenniel "Gazetteer" of the United States, printed in 1874, has this to say about Dakota City, Nebraska: Dakota City is a postal village and the county seat of Dakota County, Nebraska. It is six miles southwest of Sioux City, Iowa, and has a population of 300. It has considerable local trade, and manufacturers, and one local newspaper.

Dakota County is in the northeast part of Nebraska with a population of 2,040 (819 population in 1860). It is bordered on the northeast and east by the Missouri River, which separates it from Dakota and Iowa. The terrain consists of rolling prairies with well timber bottom lands along streams. The bottoms are very productive, while the uplands are excellent for grazing purposes.

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FIT OR COUNTERFEIT ?

By Robert R. Kutcher

According to Webster, a counterfeit is something made in imitation of something else with a view to deceive or defraud and is chiefly used in imitation of coins or paper money. This would seem an adequate definition of the word counterfeit unless you are a numismatist and take the definition too literally. Accordingly, the eight so-called "original" 1804 silver dollars are counterfeit even though they were made at the U. S. Mint for official use.

The intent to defraud is definitely there, since they were produced between 1834 and 1835 to replace coins which were purportedly made 30 years earlier. If this was not enough, the Mint compounded the crime by making seven 'restrike' 1804 dollars 30 years later. These then must be counterfeits of counterfeits. The collecting fraternity, and even the U. S. Mint, regard these coins as genuine and real. But, in the strictest sense, they are counterfeits!

The practice of counterfeiting is very old. In fact, counterfeiters were active even before the first true coins were struck. Lumps of metal were made with a secret mark by traders and businessmen so the lumps of metal would not have to be reweighed and worth calculated every time they exchanged hands. The markings were soon learned by the more unscrupulous who then counterfeited these same markings on lumps of metal of less purity and weight.

Actually, the practice of counterfeiting predates the striking of metal. Thousands of years earlier, ancient Sumerian clay tablet receipts and contracts were altered. The practice of altering or counterfeiting these contracts was so prevalent that a law was passed making it necessary to write the full contract on a soft piece of clay and letting it harden, then encasing the clay in an envelope of soft clay and rewriting the entire contract on this envelope. This way, if any question arose about the sale or contract, the courts could break the envelope and read the original contract to see if any of the outer contract had been altered.

Perhaps the most brazen counterfeiters were the official Mints themselves in ancient times. In the Mints, the official counterfeit was made to give extra spending power to the royal family and, perhaps, to the mintmaster also. The mint would produce coins of base metal, plate these, and then mix them into every batch of good coins. The gold or silver thus saved by the base metal counterfeits was set aside for the ruling family. However, as the plating wore off, not even the Mint would accept the counterfeits. Thus, the practice of biting or scratching a coin to test its authenticity began.

Sometimes coins were tested by slicing into them with a knife or chisel. This did not work, as the Mint itself learned that the populace would accept a coin with a deep cut and they began plating them before they were released into circulation and after they were cut, thus making them appear to be silver or gold.

The more experienced merchants and traders of the time had a more scientific method of testing the coins they accepted in every day trade. This was called the touch stone. The touch stone itself was a pale, flint-like stone on which the coin was rubbed to leave a mark. This mark was then compared to marks left by various large needles of varying purity and metal. In this way the merchant could tell if the coin was plated or if the metal had been debased.

Another method of testing the worth of coins was devised by the govern-

ment of India when they were plagued by counterfeiters. There, the practice of clipping or scraping the edges to get shavings and chips of precious metals was devised. To overcome this, the government made standard glass weights to sell to businesses of the same weight as each of the common coins. The weights were then used in checking the weight of coins on a balance scale by the merchant. It was most difficult to alter the weights of the glass without easy detection and these served the purpose very well.

The United States Mint Assay Commission was instigated to check on Mint operations, to keep Mint officials and employees honest, and to stop 'official' counterfeiting. Now that the Mint does not use precious metals, this administration has felt that the overseeing of government by the common man was unnecessary. Another loss to the governed! Our next loss may be the right to vote!

(*) Editor's Note: With all apologies Bob, I dispute that at least three 1804 dollars are counterfeits. Andy Jackson ordered striking of two sets of our coins to be presented to the Imaum of Muscat and the King of Siam by a Mr. Roberts, a representative of the United States. The only $1.00 dies at the Mint was the die of 1804, which was not minted because the cost of silver exceeded the $1 value. The Mint director was an appointee of President Jackson. Further, I would be most hesitant to rouse Jackson's ire. He had fought nine duels and hadn't lost any. A most formidable opponent. If I were director of the Mint and Jackson said strike, I'd strike!!! This accounts for two. Number three — struck for the Mint Collection by a dedicated employee who had made the assembly of a Mint Collection nearly a personal crusade.

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No. 3 of the Series — By Daniel C. Parker, NLG, NEWS

Throughout the previous articles in this series, we have consistently mentioned displaying and exhibting your material. First, why display at all? Taking pride in one's collection is an absolute **must**. Possession of a fine collection dictates that we display it to people who have an interest in coins. One does not have to own a collection to enjoy and appreciate it. After many years of collecting, exhibiting, and judging exhibits, the writer still thrills at just viewing an outstanding exhibit assembled by a dedicated numismatist.

Every year, exhibit rules are becoming more standardized throughout the country. To achieve the maximum out of your exhibit, study the rules carefully. Pay particular attention to the various points upon which a judge determines the worth of an exhibit. Scoring sheets are broken down into varied categories. No. 1 of these: "Is the title appropriate to the exhibit?" It is ridiculous to just title an exhibit "U. S. Coins." Altogether too broad. One would have to show dozens upon dozens of coins to cover the entire field of U. S. coins.

Pick an appropriate title and stay within the bounds of that title if you would merit the maximum points from the judge. True, the subject only calls for a maximum marking of five points. However, do not forget to include some explanatory material pertaining to your exhibit and tell what it is you are trying to accomplish. Titles can be as simple or as elaborate as you care to make them. One word of caution, **do not** make it either too fancy or too non-descript. Lettering can be purchased in variety stores or stationery shops. Or one can simply letter a show card and slip out the letters to form the title.

The next thing a judge will mark is: "Is the exhibit attractively mounted?" Do not over crowd the space available to you. Use more space to gain the most effective display. Coins jumbled together are neither attractive nor eye-catching. Try to achieve a balance and you will have earned your next five points. "Are all the coins properly identified?" Check carefully because a lack of identification or a misrepresentation will cost you dearly.

Personally, we detest too much 'frou-frou' in an exhibit. As an example, we have seen simple Lincoln Cents mounted on tea doilies. They were lost — the doilies overpowered the coins. Use backgrounds which will enhance the coins being shown. (Recently, the writer judged in a national exhibition of coins. He found one outstanding group of coins — all copper — mounted on copper-colored tiles. They were completely lost.)

Numismatic Information is the title of the highest scoring section of a judging sheet. All the coins should be properly identified. Is there any special significance in any one coin? If so, mention it prominently so the casual viewer may appreciate what it is and its special meaning. As an example: The United States two cent piece was the first coin to bear the motto, "In God We Trust." It is small things like this that contribute to the earning of top scores from judges. The section can bring you up to 35 points.

Condition of the coins is important. However, judges are always experienced collectors and are aware that rare coins are very difficult to acquire. They will probably settle for awarding a fair number of points for something less than a perfect coin.

Rarity is the final section which is considered. Obviously, it is important but in most cases, only in major

shows. It does award a maximum of five points and for a first time exhibitor, is quite meaningless.

After years of judging on the local, state, and national level, we have yet to see the perfect 100%. Ridiculous things such as misspellings, erasures, improper identification, etc., are the bug-a-boo of every exhibitor. They do crop up. Have a friend check and double check with you. He may see an error which you have overlooked after checking a dozen times.

Probably the most outstanding exhibit we have ever had the pleasure of viewing was a one case display. It contained a cast bronze hand and spilling out of the hand were 30 pieces of silver. The title was "For This?". Yes, you're right, it was syekels of Tyre, and the Staters of Antioch. The only coins in common circulation in Judea at the time of Christ. They were the coins for which Judas sold his friend Jesus Christ into the hands of Christ's enemies. It was breathtaking and an exhibit which we shall remember for all of our days!

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